MR. P. C. ADICHAN: അടുത്തകാലത്തു കാളവണ്ടിയിൽ റേഷൻ സാധനങ്ങൾ കൊണ്ടുപോകാൻ സാധിക്കാതെ വണ്ടിക്കാരും ജനങ്ങളും വളരെ വിഷമങ്ങൾ അനുഭവിച്ചു എന്നുള്ള വിവരം ബഹുമാനപ്പെട്ട മെമ്പർക്ക് അറിയാമോ?

DEWAN BAHADUR L. VENKATAKRISHNAN: Maintenance will be done according to the importance of the road.

MR. P. K. KUNJU: May I know whether a tender was called for the construction of the bridge at the 3rd mile of the Kunnattur—Cherumood road?

DEWAN BAHADUR L. VENKATAKRISHNAN: I claim notice.

Construction of a bridge at Achankara.

115. ✱ MR. PULIYOOR T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI (*Tiruvalla*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether any report has been submitted to the Chief Engineer by the Quilon Executive Engineer regarding the construction of a bridge at Achankara on the Budhanoor-Kadampoor Village road; and

(*b*) if the answer to (*a*) is in the affirmative, the action taken on the same?

DEWAN BAHADUR L. VENKATAKRISHNAN (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) An estimate for a foot bridge is under preparation.

Konathal bridge at Kumarakom.

116. ✱ MR. V. K. VELAPPAN NAIR (*Vaikom* cum *Kottayam*): Will the Government be pleased to state the action taken for the construction of the Konathal bridge at Kumarakom?

DEWAN BAHADUR L. VENKATAKRISHNAN: The bridge had to be redesigned as the 6 piles according to original sanction were found entirely inadequate. As a result of particulars since found, the design was revised and sanctioned with a cluster of some 12 piles to each pier. 13 piles of 40 feet in addition to the piles already driven were obtained from Kozhencherry and driven. It is found that they were inadequate. The piles are being extended and driven further.

MR. V. MADHAVAN (*Vaikom* cum *Kottayam*): May I know when was this work sanctioned?

DEWAN BAHADUR L. VENKATAKRISHNAN: 11 years ago-

MR. V. MADHAVAN: After the Government had sanctioned the work may I know when was the inadequacy of piles found out?

DEWAN BAHADUR L. VENKATAKRISHNAN: Some time in 1944 the original design was submitted and in the early part of 1945 I found it out. I ordered borings to be taken and the piles were made available in December. A fresh design has been made and piles were dim. I think it has to be extended by 35 feet. The work relating to the bridge could be taken up and completed with the piles available now.

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